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February 1, 2005

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ACCEPTANCE OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTS
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS 1, 2, 4, AND 5
3 VOTES**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Ratify changes in work and accept completed contract work under the following construction contracts:

Project ID No. FCC0000522 - Palos Verdes-Walteria Drain, Cities of Torrance and Palos Verdes Estates (4), Ivanko, with a credit amounting to \$13,230.00, and a final contract amount of \$4,795,784.16 (Partial Acceptance).

Project ID No. RDC0014297 - Francisquito Avenue at Lark Ellen Avenue, et al., vicinities of Valinda and Covina (1 and 5), C. T. & F., Inc., with changes in the amount of \$1,880.00, and a final contract amount of \$241,259.79.

Project ID No. RDC0014350 - Sorensen Avenue at Washington Boulevard, vicinity of Santa Fe Springs (1), Steiny and Company, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$130,808.93.

Project ID No. RDC0014351 - Leffingwell Road at Santa Gertrudes Avenue, et al., vicinities of Industry and Whittier (1 and 4), Steiny and Company, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$2,205.28, and a final contract amount of \$156,655.05.

Project ID No. RDC0014366 - Pennsylvania Avenue at Altura Avenue, City of Glendale (5), Steiny and Company, Inc., with a final contract amount of \$115,486.31.

Project ID No. RDC0014389 - The Old Road at Biscailuz Drive, et al., vicinity of Castaic Junction (5), Steiny and Company, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$4,217.15, and a final contract amount of \$176,790.49.

Project ID No. RDC0014469 - Avalon Boulevard at 126th Street, vicinity of Rosewood (2), C. T. & F., Inc., with a final contract amount of \$92,391.24.

Project ID No. RDC0014475 - Hemingway Avenue at Kavenagh Lane, vicinity of Stevenson Ranch (5), Taft Electric Company, with changes in the amount of \$3,347.53, and a final contract amount of \$88,862.62.

Project ID No. RMD4146008 - Parkway Tree Trimming , MD 4, Palm Trees, FY 2004-05, vicinities of South Gate and La Mirada (1, 2, and 4), West Coast Arborist, Inc., with changes in the amount of \$8,225.00, and a final contract amount of \$49,620.00.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

This action is to obtain Board ratification of the Acting Director-approved changes in public works contracts and Board acceptance of the work of the contracts in compliance with the provisions of the Public Contract Code. Included in the enclosures are project and contract data, the scope of work of changes to be ratified, and the work of the contracts to be accepted.

The Acting Director of Public Works has been authorized by your Board to order changes in work up to \$10,000 for construction contracts. Changes to accommodate field conditions in order to meet the intent of the plans and specifications are not subject to this monetary limitation. Enclosed for your ratification are changes in work which I ordered for Project ID Nos. FCC0000522, RDC0014297, RDC0014351, RDC0014389, RDC0014475, and RMD4146008.

The projects have been completed, and it is recommended that your Board accept them on the dates indicated in the enclosures.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The acceptance of these construction contracts is consistent with the County Strategic Plan Goal of Service Excellence since acceptance of these completed contracts will provide improved infrastructure to better serve the public.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The modifications to the contract amounts range in value from a credit of \$13,230.00 to an increase in the amount of \$8,225.00, while the total values of the contracts range from \$49,620.00 to \$4,795,784.16.

Ratification of the changes in work and acceptance of the work of the respective contracts by your Board is in compliance with the acceptance and prompt payment provisions of the Public Contract Code.

Sufficient funds are available in the Board-approved appropriations for each of the respective projects to cover the costs of the changes and the total value of each of the contracts. Detailed cost breakdowns for each of the changes together with contract cost summaries are included in the enclosures.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Each of these contracts for the construction of public works improvements was awarded by your Board to the lowest responsible bidder in accordance with the California Public Contract Code, your Board's directives, and as recommended by the Acting Director of Public Works.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The changes in the work as described above and in the enclosures are within the limits of the Board-approved projects and do not change any conditions which resulted in the original environmental findings.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

Each contract provided that the contractor be compensated for changes in the work as a result of changes to the original plans and specifications or changed conditions encountered during the course of construction. The costs of each of the changes were based on contract unit prices, time and materials methods, or were negotiated under the provisions of the contract specifications. The methods for arriving at the final costs of the changes are included in the enclosures.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

Ratification of the requested changes and acceptance of the work of the contracts by your Board will ensure the timely closeout of the respective contracts, releasing Departmental and County assets for other construction-related activities.

CONCLUSION

Please return one approved copy of this letter to Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD L. WOLFE
Acting Director of Public Works

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cc: Chief Administrative Office
County Counsel
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance

ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT (PARTIAL)
February 1, 2005

PROJECT ID NO. FCC0000522, PALOS VERDES - WALTERIA DRAIN
(Cities of Torrance and Palos Verdes Estates), Supervisorial District 4

Contractor: Ivanko, 15531 Arrow Highway, Irwindale, California 91706

Project Description:

Construction of a reinforced concrete pipe storm drain system and other appurtenant work.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$16,210.00)
(2) Caltrans Permit	880.00
(3) Office Facilities	<u>2,100.00</u>
Total	(\$ <u>13,230.00</u>)

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) The project specifications required the contractor to obtain a Caltrans encroachment permit in order to install the storm drain. It will be necessary to compensate the contractor for the cost of this permit.

(3) The original contract duration was for approximately ten months. The contract was extended for three additional months because of additional work. It will be necessary to compensate the contractor for the cost of office facilities for this additional three-month period.

The costs for Item 1 and a portion of the cost for Item 3 were based on contract unit prices. The balance of the cost for Item 3 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications. The cost for Item 2 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on October 5, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

In addition, the County and the contractor are currently negotiating the resolution of a claim submitted by the contractor. Rather than delay payment of the retention to the contractor for the completed work, pursuant to Section 7107 of the California Public Contract Code, we recommend that all retention be released.

The contractor has not yet complied with the Affirmative Action Reporting Requirements of the contract. To assure compliance of this requirement, \$5,000.00 is being withheld from the value of the contract. Upon resolution of the claim and reporting requirements, we will return to your Board with our recommendation for the final acceptance of the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$4,375,273.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	438,741.16
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	(13,230.00)
Withholding for Affirmative Action Noncompliance	<u>(5,000.00)</u>
AMOUNT DUE TO THE CONTRACTOR AT THIS TIME	<u>\$4,795,784.16</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT

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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014297, FRANCISQUITO AVENUE AT LARK ELLEN AVENUE, ET AL. (in the vicinities of Valinda and Covina),
Supervisory Districts 1 and 5

Contractor: C. T. & F., Inc., 7228 Scout Avenue, Bell Gardens, California 90201

Project Description:

Installation of new traffic signals at Francisquito Avenue and Lark Ellen Avenue and the modification of traffic signals at Cypress Street and Lark Ellen Avenue.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$1,364.18
(2) Electrical Wiring of Cabinet Controller	<u>515.82</u>
Total	<u>\$1,880.00</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) It was necessary to rewire the existing controller at the intersection of Cypress Street and Lark Ellen Avenue in order to accept the necessary signal modifications.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes. However, the contractor was granted an additional 18 working days to obtain materials.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on September 17, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$225,027.89
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	14,351.90
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	<u>1,880.00</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$241,259.79</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014350, SORENSEN AVENUE AT WASHINGTON
BOULEVARD (in the vicinity of Santa Fe Springs), Supervisorial District 1

Contractor: Steiny and Company, Inc., 12907 East Garvey Avenue, Baldwin Park,
California 91706

Project Description:

Modification of traffic signals, reconstruction of sidewalk and curb, construction of curb
ramps, and installation of striping and pavement markings.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on December 7, 2004, in accordance with the
plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to
the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to
close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$108,092.10
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>22,716.83</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$130,808.93</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014351, LEFFINGWELL ROAD AT SANTA GERTRUDES AVENUE, ET AL. (in the vicinities of Industry and Whittier),
Supervisory Districts 1 and 4

Contractor: Steiny and Company, Inc., 12907 East Garvey Avenue, Baldwin Park, California 91706

Project Description:

Installation and modification of traffic signals and construction of curb ramps.

Changes in Work:

Variations in Bid Quantities	\$2,205.28
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Description of Changes:

The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on September 16, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications; however, the contractor failed to comply with all the Affirmative Action Reporting Requirements of the contract. Since the contractor has failed to comply with these reporting requirements, we recommend that your Board accept the work of this contract subject to a \$400.00 deduction.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$139,257.50
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	15,592.27
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	2,205.28
Deduction for Affirmative Action Noncompliance	<u>(400.00)</u>
 FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	 <u>\$156,655.05</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014366, PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE AT ALTURA AVENUE
(City of Glendale), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Steiny and Company, Inc., 12907 East Garvey Avenue, Baldwin Park,
California 91706

Project Description:

Installation of traffic signals, striping, and pavement markings and the construction of
curb ramps, sidewalk, and curb and gutter.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 24, 2004, in accordance with the
plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to
the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to
close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$105,428.00
Actual costs of changes in work previously approved by the Board	<u>10,058.31</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$115,486.31</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014389, THE OLD ROAD AT BISCAILUZ DRIVE, ET AL.
(in the vicinity of Castaic Junction), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Steiny and Company, Inc., 12907 East Garvey Avenue, Baldwin Park, California 91706

Project Description:

Installation of traffic signals; striping and pavement markings; and reconstruction of sidewalk, curb ramps, and curb and gutter.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	(\$1,053.27)
(2) Modify Pole	1,757.71
(3) Supply Materials	<u>3,512.71</u>
Total	<u>\$4,217.15</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The decrease in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) It was necessary to use a shorter traffic signal pole in order to meet required clearance levels with electric lines. This work was not shown on the plans.

(3) It was necessary to compensate the contractor for supplying anchor bolts and a street name sign mast arm with brackets. These materials were to be supplied by us.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The costs for Items 2 and 3 were based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on October 29, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Four additional working days will be required because of these changes.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$163,349.85
Actual cost of changes in work previously approved by the Board	9,223.49
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	<u>4,217.15</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$176,790.49</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014469, AVALON BOULEVARD AT 126TH STREET
(in the vicinity of Rosewood), Supervisorial District 2

Contractor: C. T. & F., Inc., 7228 Scout Avenue, Bell Gardens, California 90201-4998

Project Description:

Traffic signal installation, striping and pavement markings, and construction of curb ramps.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on November 10, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$77,465.86
Changes in work previously authorized by your Board	<u>14,925.38</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$92,391.24</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. RDC0014475, HEMINGWAY AVENUE AT KAVENAGH LANE
(in the vicinity of Stevenson Ranch), Supervisorial District 5

Contractor: Taft Electric Company, 1694 Eastman Avenue, Ventura,
California 93003-5782

Project Description:

Installation of traffic signals, striping, and pavement markings and construction of curb ramps.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$ 950.53
(2) Exploratory Excavations	2,100.00
(3) Installation of Pedestrian Push Button Post	<u>297.00</u>
Total	<u>\$3,347.53</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) It was necessary to have the contractor perform exploratory excavations to confirm the locations of existing facilities.

(3) Due to an underground utility conflict, the location of the new signal pole at the northwest corner Hemingway Avenue and Kavenagh Lane was modified. In order to ensure accessibility to the cross walk push button, it was necessary to install a new pedestrian push button post. This work is not shown on the plans.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The costs for Item 2 was stipulated in the contract specifications. The cost for Item 3 was based on time and materials methods as provided in Subsection 3-3 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on December 20, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$85,515.09
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	<u>3,347.53</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u>\$88,862.62</u>

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ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT
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PROJECT ID NO. RMD4146008, PARKWAY TREE TRIMMING, MD 4, PALM TREES
FY 2004-05 (vicinities of South Gate and La Mirada), Supervisorial Districts 1, 2, and 4

Contractor: West Coast Arborist, Inc., 2200 East Via Burton Street, Anaheim,
California 92806

Project Description:

Trimming and removal of palm trees.

Changes in Work:

(1) Variations in Bid Quantities	\$1,680.00
(2) Additional Palm Tree Trimming and Skinning	<u>6,545.00</u>
Total	<u>\$8,225.00</u>

Description of Changes:

(1) The original contract amount is based upon estimated quantities of the various bid items. The contractor is paid based upon actual quantities used. The increase in contract price reflects the net adjustment due to variations between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities.

(2) It was necessary to trim and skin an additional 77 palm trees on Whittier Boulevard between Ford Boulevard and Atlantic Boulevard in East Los Angeles. This work was not shown on the plans.

The costs for Item 1 were based on contract unit prices. The cost for Item 2 was negotiated as provided in Subsection 3-2 of the contract specifications.

No additional working days were required because of these changes.

Project Completion Date:

The contractor completed the project on December 7, 2004, in accordance with the plans and specifications. The delay in forwarding this letter to your Board was due to the length of time required for the contractor to furnish the documentation necessary to close out the contract.

Final Contract Amount:

Original contract amount	\$41,395.00
Changes in work authorized by the Acting Director of Public Works	<u>8,225.00</u>
FINAL CONTRACT AMOUNT	<u><u>\$49,620.00</u></u>

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